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**IMPORTANT AND VERY EXTENSIBLE SALE WITHOUT RESERVE.**  
 By Order of Exekution Late into  
 Mr. ALI K. K. ELPHINSTONE  
 formerly of Frodsham, Aethiopia.

**THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.**

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**THE CHINESE NEW YEAR**

Among Chinese throughout the world to be the most important of any during the Year. It is the Year's Day in China is the day of days. It is the highest festival of the year, and is looked forward to and observed by all classes, whether rich or poor. In preparation for it in China houses are thoroughly cleaned from top to bottom. All papers are renewed. From walls or doors, and on bright papers, written with kinds of good and

## FURNITURE

**Dining, Drawing, Breakfast, and Bedroom Furnishings.**  
Kitchen Requisites.

**ALSO, BY ORDER OF ARTHUR WRIGHT, Reg. Rep. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND PLANNING COMMITTEE, THE FOLLOWING LIST OF FURNITURE IS HEREBY APPOINTED OUTGOING, THE Furniture and Fixtures of the Chinese Consulate, Washington.**

**LOBBY—DRAWING—ROOM SUITE** in German Veneer HANDMADE CARPET SQUARE LINEN OIL, BRASS—MIRROR—CLOCK—LAMP—KITCHEN—SINK—STOVE— useful and decorative lines.

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Magnificent Drawing-room Cabinet, in Best solid Walnut  
First-class Hall Stands, Bookcases  
Sofas, Armchairs, and a fine quality Upholstered  
Couch, Grand Single Bedroom Walnut  
Couch, Grand Single Bedroom Walnut Wagon.

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The attention of readers Publishing is respectfully directed to this holiday-day paper and its contents and efforts.

Catalogues may be obtained THIS MORNING at our offices and depots.

Also, AN ABSOLUTE NEW LATHER.

Imported direct from the Manufacturers, the  
Bristol Co., Colburn & Co.,

Silk, crepe, satin, ribbed, seven-point, grey band, outside light, off left hand thread, silk road with Tulle for lace, and other goods, all new, and of the best quality, in diameter, size, can be turned between centres.

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The Ladies will be seen at our Rooms.

A Splendid Lot of Fine Prints and Pictures.

STANDARD AND WATSON

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**OTTO**—1635, 9th street, near Oakdale Hall to Doris, daughter of Mrs. George Otto, 1000 1/2 street, near Morgan's Garage.

**DAVID**—1017, 10th street, Downing, Marguerite and Charles, 10th street, near St. Mark's church's Hall.

**OTTO**—Four Cottage, Nos. 35 to 41, Monticelli street.

**LEWISMAN**—Two Houses, Twelfth and Donnell, and 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

**DELWICH**—1111, Cottage, The Bungalow, New Canterbury road and Harbor street.

**PETESHE**—1017, 10th street, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

**ST. PETES**—Cottage and Bungalow, Harbor street, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

**RANDWICH**—1017, 10th street, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

**ENTFIELD**—1017, 10th street, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

**DECKMONY**—1017, 10th street, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets, near the corner of 10th and 11th streets.

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By order and on account of E. L. OLIVER,  
Executive Committee.

**EMCULGUE.**  
Jama-street, off Edgewood-para, at corner of Hardman's  
Factory-Land, 1371, a 1272. French  
title.

**KOPOKARAI.**  
Glades-road, 1-104, of the Koro-Koro Township.  
No. 1104, between Glades-road and Hailway  
title.

**ANUWILU.**  
The CLARKY ESTATE, Lots 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 14 to 20, 22  
to 26, Secs. 1, 2, Lots 2 to 27, Secs. 3, 4, Lots 33, 34, 37 to  
39, Sec. 5. Torrens title.

**MORTKALE.**  
RINGWOLD ESTATE, Lots 6 to 8, 17 to 16, fronting  
the RINGWOLD ROAD, 1-104, of the Koro-Koro Township,  
No. 104, between Glades-road and Hailway title.  
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**THE Ashfield estate, which is for sale in the**

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WATKIN and WATKIN will sell the above to the highest bidder, on MONDAY, February 11th, at 11.00 a.m., at their Rooms, 313-315-street, Sydney.

Portraits of Queensland's Executive Council permanent Secretaries occupy two pages of the "Sydney Mail."—advrt















## SHIPPING REPORTS

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The American barquentine *Obo. C. Portland* arrived at  
toward 5 o'clock. The  
The five-masted schooner *Inta* was yesterday  
Goodie and Muttie's Wharf.  
The barque *Empress* was yesterday  
and a dock. She is to be moved to Railway Wharf  
and will sail about Sunday next for Newcastle.  
The inward Japanese mail boat, *Tokio* from  
Coasttown for the south yesterday.

At the end of last week's Assembly, the resolution was carried in the following terms: "The Assembly desires the disembarking of the Government appointees during the recess to inquire into the matter with shipping, and to suggest necessary amendments." Government recently had the matter under consideration and resolved to appoint a colonialist, consistent members, and with this object in view the Colonial secretary is communicating with a number of gentlemen, in the hope of securing their services.

When the steamer Otarua, now at Port Chalmers some 200 miles north of the Cape Verde Islands, E.S.E. gale, attended by a heavy sea and foggy weather, will arrive, it is expected that the

Captain Murray, late of the Shaw, Seville, & Co's barque Alakron, took command of the Jane Douglas left Wellington recently. Captain who is retiring from the steamer, was present at the departure of the ship's company.

Replying to the request made by the Dunedin Board for information as to the result of the trial of the Jane Douglas, the N.Z. M. S. Board has forwarded to the Wellington Heads with fog signals, the N.Z. M. S. Board's report on the trial of the Jane Douglas, and the report on the trial of the Jane Douglas, and the report on the trial of the Jane Douglas.

Heard the explosion very distinctly at a distance of between two and three miles, and saw the signals exploded. The Dundedin Board received a secretary report as to the Wellington signals, writing the Government to put up machinery signals at Tairātea Head.

There is being constructed at the Depot Ground "Launceston Examiner" states) a steamer for Thomas Gunn and Stephenson for the King Island vessel, which will be launched in a few days. The length of 130 ft.; beam, 20 ft.; and draught, 10 ft.

per hour. The steamer is to be a poop-ended vessel, and is equal to the highest class at Lloyd's. Accord-  
ing to the plan, the vessel will be provided for 18 saloon passengers, and the two four-bed cabins on deck. The captain's and crew's quarters are to be on deck, and the crew will be accommodated in the forecabin. The vessel is to carry between 125 and 150 tons of dead weight, and is specially constructed for the carriage of  
which she will be able to accommodate about 500.  
Last week nearly 70,000, of which 10,000 were  
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**THE MAIL STEAMERS.**  
The R.M.S. Britannia sailed from Melbourne yesterday for Sydney.  
The R.M.S. Moana arrived at San Francisco on the morning of Wednesday last, the 8th.  
The R.M.S. Groya sailed from Adelaide at 2 p.m. yesterday for London.

**THE UNION COMPANY'S LINE.**  
The Tararua arrived at Wellington at 10.30.

Thursday.  
The Kaiti leaves Devonport for Sydney this afternoon.  
The Mararoa goes into Sutherland Dock for an overhaul.

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**THE E. AND A. COMPANY.**  
Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., yesterday received by cable of the departure of the steamer "Tait" for Hongkong on the 8th instant for Sydney, via port

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**THE GEO. C. PERKINS.**  
The American barquentine Geo. C. Perkins, master of lumber, yesterday arrived, after a 56 days' passage

**THE ELIZABETH GRAHAM.**  
Messrs Nelson and Robertson yesterday cable advised the arrival of the *Elizabeth Graham* at Auckland on Wednesday from Newcastle.

**THE GULF LINE.**

Messrs. A. McArthur and Co. are in receipt of news that the steamer Gulf of Genoa sailed for Aden, Melbourne, Sydney, and Brisbane. The Gulf of Bothnia last night sailed for the continuation of her voyage.

**THE CLONCURRY.**

The steamer Cloncurry, from Adelaide, and commanded by Captain Macleay, arrived last evening anchored in Watson's Bay. She left Calcutta per Mr. Macleay on January 13. Albany on Jan.

**THE YSABEL'S CRUISE.**  
The steamer Ysabel, Captain Charles Tod from the Solomon Islands at 9 o'clock yesterday she left Sydney on December 30, and arrived at Melbourne on January 30, after proceeding through calling at Rua, Nava, Aota, Neal Island, Gavoto and Numbi. She left Solomon and went to San January 27, arriving at Granville River on the 28th for Sydney on January 30, and anchored at

FRUSTRATED NEW LINE OF STEAMERS  
The steel progress of the new line of steamers is being delayed by the post-war boom, and especially at the ports of the North-west coast, where the communities are actually expanding, in a startling and unexpected manner. It is quite true that the benefits of post-war expansion are being realized, but the British India Steam Navigation Company is not the only one to be benefited. The new line of steamers is being delayed by the post-war boom, and especially at the ports of the North-west coast, where the communities are actually expanding, in a startling and unexpected manner. It is quite true that the benefits of post-war expansion are being realized, but the British India Steam Navigation Company is not the only one to be benefited.

tion Company will arrange for a service between Manhattan ports and the mainland. A representative of the company said that the proposed service would be a "Tomb Raider" type of object in view, and was very favourable with the prospects of the proposed service.

Liverpool, ship (MYLI), from Glasgow—85  
 Karoo, ship (JPAQ), from Rio Janeiro—14  
 Montrose, ship (WJRI), from Liverpool—89  
 Scottish Glen, ship (JNQL), from Hamburg—  
 Wachuset, ship (JUS), from Port. Blakeley  
 ———  
 John Est. four-masted bark (HBEF), from  
 ———  
 10 days.  
 Jupiter, ship (SGWV), from Port. Praia—18  
 W. H. Talbot, schooner (KJVI), from Aden—  
 10 days.

FRENCH SHIPPING BOUNTIES.

A scheme for the relief and development of French Kura, it is reported, recently been adopted by the French Kura Parliamentary Commission of Enquiry, and will now be placed before the Chamber of Deputies to be embodied in a bill to modify the law of 1884. Under the law of 1884 half-breed was not permitted to acquire French nationality, but this provision is to be removed. By the new scheme the French nationality will still be reserved for French-born, but the rates will be altered so as to benefit the small agricultural class. The proposed new bounty, which is to mature as well as to foreign built steamers, is per ton gross per day for vessels from 100 tons to 1,000 tons.

eros, 4c, on the excess, from 200 tons to 3,000 tons, from 300 tons to 400 tons, and 2c. per ton above 400 tons. The bounty is cumulative, thus, a vessel of 400 tons gross would get 5 cents per ton, a vessel of 1,000 tons would get 10 cents, a vessel of 2,000 tons, 15 cents, and 2 cents per ton on the tonnage over 2,000 tons. Sailing ships are to be half the rate of bounty, and to be cumulative. The bounty is to be higher of the two only in the case of sailing ships. Several recommendations are also made in the report, but they are not adopted by the commission which, it is claimed, benefit French shipowners, one of these being the provision of the Navigation Act of 1793 should be

which enacts that a ship shall forfeit her Verifi-  
cality if her repairs exceed a fixed number of francs per  
ton.

which soon became so very marked that Captain stopped the engines and took soundings, but found bottom at 80 fathoms we proceeded on our course. Evening darkness deepened the whiteness of the sea, and the water seemed to grow more and more transparent; the water could be distinguished, the whole ocean sea-like in whiteness, and presented a very weird and almost blue of the sky seeming to be reflected in the contrast, and the water to shine with a peculiarly brilliant surface of the water, which was unusually smooth, and about 7 p.m., Captain ordered his chief officer, who were on the bridge, to look like two balls of fire in the water, and

of the passengers who were on the main deck only what appeared to be a very brilliant flash of lightning. We drew a bucket of the water and could observe nothing in it different to other sea and the density was like sea. Every now and then passed substances floating on the surface of the sea resembling dark, black and white balls of stone, but it is impossible to say what they were. At last light. At about 9.30 p.m. the sea became very dark. The appearance, the whiteness getting less (dimmer), and we shortly afterwards steamed water, after having passed for about 15 miles there strangely white sea. The clouds, which had ap-

dark during its continuance, then resumed their soft and fleecy appearance, the stars shone at their natural light, and we all felt a great sense of relief and thankfulness to be again in blue water. There is little doubt but that we had passed over a comparatively recent submarine disturbance.

**YEARLY REVIEW.**

In his annual shipping review, Mr. John White, regarding the year just closed as, "on the whole, a remarkably satisfactory one to the shipping industry, and the output of new tonnage he writes:— "The total tonnage has been so large that fears are

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which 4 are each over 10,000 tons, 8,000 tons, 11 over 7000 tons, and 6000 tons gross register. These large vessels are for lines, and although carrying in their services a large amount of cargo, they represent in their capacity large

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**CARRINGTON CENTENNIAL  
HOSPITAL**

**ANNUAL MEETING.**

At 8 P.M. last Saturday afternoon the annual meeting of subscribers to the Carrington Centennial Hospital Homes for Convalescents was held in the hall of the Hotel Cecil, presided over by the Governor.

Mr. Deas Thompson, the hon. secretary, presented the annual report. He drew attention to the first paragraph, which recorded with deep sorrow the death of the late Sir John A. Macdonald, president and the first hon. secretary of the institution.

Mr E. Knox moved,—"That the report and statement be read and printed, and circulated, and that copies be sent to his Excellency the Governor and to the Government and Colonial Secretary, and that the report be printed and circulated, and that subscribers own the perfect organization which had made the work of the hospital possible, to satisfaction." It was carried unanimously.

Mr. Deas Thompson seconded the motion.

meeting be given to the Government and Legislature, and it had given to the institution. "Mr. H. Moore, M.L.C., seconded the motion, which was carried. The members of the Board of Directors of the Union of Dr. Purser and Mr. B. T. Kelly, the warm thanks of the meeting were accorded to the honorary directors and the honorary members of the medical officers for their valuable services during the past year. Six members of the general committee were appointed as follows for 1899:—Mr. Moore, M.L.C., and Dr. C. C. Gower, all with the regard to his Excellency the Governor: Sir J. R. Fairfax and John Hay, on the nomination of Mr. J. W. Hamilton (representative of the late Mr. W. R. H. Paine); and Dr. Ocell Purser and Lieutenant-Colonel MacArthur Oswald, by the election of the members of the Executive Committee. Sir J. R. Fairfax moved a vote of thanks to his Excellency the Governor, all with the regard to his approaching departure from the colony. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kilgour and unanimously carried. His Excellency briefly responded, and the proceedings closed.

A portrait of General Aguinaldo, President of the Philippine, appears in this week's "Mail."—Adv.

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